

## 1620-L CASE FILE DOCUMENTATION

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REFERENCES: ~~45 CFR Part 164, 42 CFR Part 2~~, A.R.S. § 12-2297, AMPM 1620-L, AMPM Exhibit 1620-3, ~~45 CFR Part 164, 42 CFR Part 2~~, Division Medical Policy 680-C, 1620-B, and -1620-D.

### PURPOSE

This policy establishes the Division's requirements to maintain complete and accurate documentation in the member's case file that details coordination of care activities. documentation and maintenance to ensure the record reflects the member's current situation. These requirements also ensure and the Division's Support Coordinator's actions provide Members with to ensure effective and efficient coordination of care. This policy establishes requirements for member case file documentation and maintenancemaintenance.

### DEFINITIONS

1. "Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)" means the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act; also known as the Kennedy-Kassebaum Act, signed August 21, 1996 as amended and as reflected in the implementing regulations at 45 CFR Parts 160, 162, and 164.

22 ~~"Managed Risk Agreement" means a document developed by the~~  
23 ~~Support Coordinator or District Nurse shall develop with the~~  
24 ~~member/Responsible Person, which outlines potential risks to the~~  
25 ~~mMember's safety and well being because of choices or decisions~~  
26 ~~made by the member or rResponsible pPerson.~~

27 2. "Member" means the same as "client" as defined in A.R.S. § 36-  
28 551.

29 3. "Planning Document" means a written plan developed through  
30 an assessment of functional needs that reflects the services and  
31 supports, paid and unpaid, that are important for and important  
32 to the Member in meeting the identified needs and preferences  
33 for the delivery of such services and supports.

34 ~~"Planning Document" means a plan which is developed by the Planning~~  
35 ~~Team, such as an Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP), or Person-~~  
36 ~~Centered Service Plan (PCSP). The Responsible Person (as defined in A.R.S.~~  
37 ~~§36-551) has final decision-making authority unless there is legal~~  
38 ~~documentation that confers decision-making authority to a legal~~  
39 ~~representative.~~

40 4. "Responsible Person" means the parent or guardian of a minor

41 with a developmental disability, the guardian of an adult with a  
42 developmental disability or an adult with a developmental  
43 disability who is a client or an applicant for whom no guardian  
44 has been appointed as defined in A.R.S. §36.

45 2-5. "Support Coordinator" means the same as "Case Manager" under  
46 A.R.S. § 36-551.

47 3-6. "Specialized Services" means- ~~It~~ these are recommended services  
48 resulting from the PASRR Level II ~~evaluation that are~~ evaluation  
49 are beyond those normally provided and included in the nursing  
50 facility (NF) NF daily rate. These services have three key  
51 characteristics:

52 a. They are individualized needs related to a person's  
53 Intellectual Disability and/or a related condition, as  
54 identified in the Level II evaluation.

55 b. They are provided to the individual during their residency  
56 in the NF.

57 c. They exceed the services a NF typically provides under its  
58 daily rate. Recall that PASRR applies to any individual  
59 applying for admission to a Medicaid-certified nursing

60 facility, regardless of insurance type.

61 **POLICY**

62 **A. MEMBER ELECTRONIC AND PAPER RECORDS ~~Member Case Files~~**

63 1. The Division shall AHCCCS requires that the Division of  
64 Developmental Disabilities (Division) establish/maintain a system  
65 of record keeping that maintains ~~m~~Member case file  
66 documentation in a secure and organized manner.

67 2. The Division shall utilize/utilizes two electronic systems to track  
68 and maintain mMember case files., Focus and OnBase.

69 a. The Division shall maintain the Focus system which  
70 includes:

71 i. The management of information regarding mMember  
72 demographics, services plans, authorization, vendor  
73 calls, and claims.

74 ii. Documenting the beginning and ending dates of  
75 services listed on the Planning Document, and

76 iii. The renewal of services and the number of units  
77 authorized for services.

78 iv. Documentation of all actions related to the Member's  
79 coordination of care with the Division, the Division's  
80 contractors, community partners, or others involved  
81 in the member's care unless otherwise restricted.

82 b. The Division shall maintain the OnBase sSystem  
83 whichSystem which which stores the Member case file  
84 electronically.

85 1.3. The Division shall provide AHCCCS may request that  
86 documentation be printed documents when requested by  
87 AHCCCS. out for purposes of a case file review.

88 2.4. The Division shall adhere to the federal regulations for the  
89 Security and Privacy of Protected Health Information found at 45  
90 CFR Part 164 (HIPAA) and for the Confidentiality of Substance  
91 Use Disorder Patient Records found at 42 CFR Part 2.

92 5. The Division shall keep Member case files ~~shall be kept~~ secured  
93 with controlled access by authorized individuals.

94 a. The Division shall store Ppaper documents ~~shall be stored~~  
95 in locked file cabinets or and the file cabinets shall must be  
96 ~~locked or~~ behind locked doors after normal business hours

97 and in compliance with department record keeping  
98 confidentiality policies.

99 3-b. The Division shall ensure the integrity of electronic  
100 documentation by. ~~Digital documents shall have~~  
101 safeguards like firewalls and encryption protocols for  
102 digital documents.

103 ~~4. The Division shall be expected to maintain a uniform tracking system~~  
104 ~~for documenting the beginning and ending dates of services listed on the~~  
105 ~~planning document, as applicable, in each member's case file record.~~  
106 ~~This documentation shall be inclusive of renewal of services and the~~  
107 ~~number of units authorized for services.~~

108 ~~5. For members receiving Home and Community Based Services (HCBS~~  
109 ~~already in place at the time of ALTCS enrollment, the Support Coordinator~~  
110 ~~shall include in the initial on-site planning meeting for Members receiving~~  
111 ~~Home and Community Based Services (HCBS already in place at the time of~~  
112 ~~ALTCS enrollment) shall include an assessment of the medical necessity and~~  
113 ~~cost effectiveness of those services and a service plan that indicates which~~  
114 ~~Prior Period Coverage (PPC) services will be retroactively authorized by the~~  
115 ~~Division. For further information, see Division Operation Policy 302.~~

116 **B. DIVISION STAFFSUPPORT COORDINATOR RESPONSIBILITIES**

117 1. Division staffThe Support Coordinators shall be are responsible  
118 for maintaining complete and comprehensive case file  
119 documentation for each ~~m~~Member.

120 1.2. Division staffThe Support Coordinator shall provide  
121 ~~D~~documentation that is shall be complete, accurate, timely, and  
122 reflective of the ~~m~~Member's programmatic, social, medical,  
123 behavioral, developmental, educational, or vocational status.

124 2.3. Division staffThe Support Coordinators shall create all  
125 documentation be are responsible for ensuring documentation is  
126 ~~done~~ in a professional, factual, and objective manner ~~(i.e. email,~~  
127 ~~correspondence, and progress notes)~~. ~~If questions arise~~  
128 ~~regarding how and where to document an item, the Support~~  
129 ~~Coordinator shall consult with their supervisor.~~

130 3.4. To have a complete and comprehensive member case file, t  
131 Division staffSupport Coordinator shall update Focus, and  
132 OnBase, the Focus Progress Notes to document these changes  
133 and completed activities as mMember information changes and  
134 completed support coordination activities. are completed on a

135 ~~regular basis including the following. Key components, in the~~  
136 ~~mMember case file, that the Support Coordinator shall update~~  
137 ~~and maintain include and are not limited to:~~

138 ~~OnBase, upload the Planning Document and any~~  
139 ~~supplemental pages within three (3) business days after each~~  
140 ~~Planning Meeting in accordance with Division procedures. If~~  
141 ~~the member has a Care Manager, the initial Care Plan and~~  
142 ~~subsequent Care Plans are to be uploaded into OnBase within~~  
143 ~~three (3) business days of receipt.~~

144 ~~Focus screens, (e.g. completion of tasks, Behavioral Health~~  
145 ~~codes, demographics, and authorizations) and updates to the~~  
146 ~~member's address book.~~

147 ~~that indicate the name of the author and document all interactions with and~~  
148 ~~about the Member, the services the Member is receiving, and the status of~~  
149 ~~the Member's case unless otherwise restricted.~~

150 5. Division staff Focus Progress Notes shall indicate in the Focus  
151 Progress notes the name of the author and document all  
152 interactions with and about the Member, the services and  
153 supports the Member is receiving, and the status of the

154 Member's case unless otherwise restricted.

155 6. Division staff shall maintain the Member case file information to  
156 the extent, and in such detail, as specified in A.R.S. § 12-2297.

157 ~~a. the name of the author and document the following:~~

158 ~~i. All Ccontacts made with the member/rResponsible pPerson~~  
159 ~~and other planning team members, which may include.~~

160 ~~This includes, but is not limited to, phone calls, in-person~~

161 ~~contacts, letters, and Pplanning Mmeetings, and additional~~

162 ~~team meetings.~~

163 ~~ii. All attempts (by phone, email, letter, etc.) to contact the~~  
164 ~~member/rResponsible pPerson, shall be documented in the~~

165 ~~mMember's record. Loss of Contact (LOC) letters and other~~

166 ~~correspondence to and from the member/rResponsible~~

167 ~~pPerson shall be uploaded into OnBase.~~

168 ~~iii. Documentation of case closure.~~

169 ~~All actions taken during the Electronic Member Change~~

170 ~~Report (eMCR) process, including when an eMCR is~~

171 ~~submitted, follow up action, and all actions taken as~~

172 ~~requested by ALTCS.~~

173 ~~All actions taken to coordinate care on behalf of the Member unless~~  
174 ~~otherwise prohibited.~~

175 C. **SUPPORT COORDINATION RESPONSIBILITIES**

176 1. ~~The Support Coordinator shall, B~~based on the ~~m~~Member's  
177 circumstances, ~~document in~~ the Focus Progress Notes, ~~when~~  
178 ~~applicable, the following care~~following shall document care  
179 coordination activities ~~as outlined below~~ including, but not  
180 limited to:

181 a. ~~Documentation of all actions related to providing the~~  
182 ~~Member with coordination of care and benefits, unless~~  
183 ~~otherwise restricted.~~

184 a.b. ~~Team discussion regarding the need for a new or revised~~  
185 ~~Behavioral Treatment Plan (BP) needed for Home and~~  
186 ~~Community Based Services (HCBS) provided by an~~  
187 ~~independent provider or Qualified Vendor from a Qualified~~  
188 ~~Vendor~~ in response to the use of Emergency Measures two  
189 ~~(2)~~ or more times within a ~~30~~thirty ~~(30)~~-day period, or  
190 with an identifiable pattern.

191 b.c. ~~The results of screening for side effects of behavioral~~  
192 ~~modifying medication and tardive dyskinesia.~~

193 e.d. Referrals for Behavioral Health services, a Care Manager, a  
194 Behavioral Health Advocate. e Referrals for community  
195 services.

196 d.e. The Support Coordinator's response to notifications of  
197 Member Emergency Room visits and Crisis Contacts.

198 e.f. Documentation of the outcome of initial and quarterly  
199 consultations with the Behavioral Health Professional.

200 f.g. Support Coordinator action regarding referrals to Health  
201 Care Services (HCS), ~~m~~Member hospitalization and  
202 discharge planning, and the use of Emergency Alert  
203 Systems.

204 g.h. Any other activities or correspondents that may be related  
205 to Member care coordination.

206 ~~Documentation of all actions related to providing the Member with~~  
207 ~~coordination of care and benefits unless otherwise restricted.~~

208 ~~MEMBER CASE FILES SHALL INCLUDE~~ **Member Case Files Shall Include**

209 2. The Support Coordinator shall include and maintain the following  
210 in the Member case files. ~~At a minimum, member files shall~~  
211 ~~include:~~

- 212 1.a. Member demographic information, including residence  
213 address and telephone number, and the emergency  
214 contact person and his/her telephone number. ~~It is best~~  
215 ~~practice to include a copy of the Focus demographic screen~~  
216 ~~and address book when changes are made in order to~~  
217 ~~preserve the historical information.~~
- 218 2.b. Identification of the ~~m~~Member's primary care provider  
219 (PCP),
- 220 3.c. For ~~m~~Members residing in a nursing facility, the AHCCCS  
221 Uniform Assessment Tool (UAT)/(acuity tool), ~~is~~  
222 ~~completed~~completed at least annually by ~~at~~the District  
223 Nurse, see AMPM Exhibit 1620-3.
- 224 4.d. The Member Level of Care Tool ~~is to be completed~~ for all  
225 ~~m~~Members residing in a community-based setting (~~own-~~  
226 ~~home, developmental home, group home, etc.)~~) at least  
227 annually by the Support Coordinator and when ~~if~~ the  
228 circumstances of the ~~m~~Member changes.
- 229 5.e. Information from ~~the 90/180-day~~ pPlanning ~~m~~Meetings  
230 that addresses ~~at least~~ the following:

- 231 i. Member's ability to be present and participate in the  
232 Planning Meeting and any needed accommodations  
233 in order for the Member to participate in the  
234 Planning Meeting.
- 235 ii. Documentation describing the Member's involvement  
236 in their Planning Meeting including the  
237 support coordinator's interactions with the Member.
- 238 a.iii. Member's current medical, functional, and  
239 behavioral health status, including strengths and  
240 needs, in accordance with the requirements outlined  
241 in Division Medical Policy 1620- B,
- 242 b.iv. The appropriateness of the Member's current  
243 residential setting placement and services in meeting  
244 his or her needs, including the potential of the  
245 Member to move to a less restrictive setting.
- 246 c.v. The cost effectiveness of ALTCS services being  
247 provided,
- 248 d.vi. Identification of family, and an informal support  
249 system, and or community resources and their

250 availability and willingness to assist the ~~m~~M~~ember~~ as  
251 uncompensated caregivers, including barriers to  
252 assistance,

253 ~~e~~-vii. Identification of service issues and/or unmet needs,  
254 an action plan to address needs, and documentation  
255 of timely follow-up and resolution,

256 ~~f~~-viii. A detailed description of the ~~m~~M~~ember~~'s objectives  
257 and services for each behavioral health agency  
258 providing services to the ~~m~~M~~ember~~,

259 ~~g~~-ix. Documentation of ~~the~~ ~~m~~M~~ember~~'s progress toward  
260 identified goals and any strategies toward  
261 overcoming barriers as outlined in Division Medical  
262 Policy 1620-B,

263 ~~Member's ability to be present and participate in the Planning Meeting review~~  
264 ~~and any needed accommodations in order for the Mmember to participate in~~  
265 ~~the Planning Meeting review.~~

266 ~~If applicable, the mMember's rResponsible pPerson and their role in~~  
267 ~~discussing service needs and goals.~~

268 ~~h~~-x. Environmental ~~details, which may include any safety~~

269 concerns in the Member's home, and/or other special  
270 needs.

271 xi. Behavioral Treatment Plan developed by the  
272 ~~m~~Member's team in accordance with Article 9. See  
273 Behavioral Supports Manual Chapter 700, ~~Behavioral~~  
274 ~~–Modifying Medications, Monitoring Behavioral–~~  
275 ~~Monitoring Medications and Treatment Plans.~~

276 xii. Documentation of all actions and information that is  
277 relevant to providing the Member with coordination  
278 of care unless otherwise restricted.

279 f. Copies of the ~~m~~Member's signed Cost Effectiveness Studies  
280 (CES) Worksheets, placement history, ~~and~~ Planning  
281 Documents, service plans and /service authorizations.

282 ~~6.g.~~ Copies of the signed The Planning Documents Service Plan  
283 that are signed by the Responsible Person must be signed  
284 by the member/responsible person at each pPlanning  
285 mMeeting. ~~(every 90 or 180 days) and a copy uploaded~~  
286 ~~into OnBase. The member/responsible person shall be~~  
287 ~~given a copy of the signed planning document.~~

288 ~~7.h.~~ A copy of the HCBS Member Needs Assessment (Form  
289 DDD-2039A) completed for all ~~m~~M~~e~~mbers receiving  
290 Attendant Care, ~~Personal Care,~~ Homemaker, ~~or~~ Habilitation  
291 ~~and/or Respite~~ services that indicates how the service  
292 hours were assessed and which portions of care, if any, are  
293 provided by the ~~m~~M~~e~~mber's informal support system.

294 ~~8.i.~~ A copy of the Contingency/Backup Plan (Form DDD-2113A)  
295 and other documentation that indicates the  
296 ~~member/r~~R~~e~~sponsible ~~p~~P~~e~~erson has been advised  
297 regarding how to report unplanned gaps services provided  
298 by an Independent Provider (IP). For details see Division  
299 Medical Policy 1620-D, ~~subject to Electronic Visit~~  
300 ~~Verification (EVV).~~

301 ~~9.j.~~ A copy of the Spouse Attendant Care Acknowledgement of  
302 Understanding (Form DDD-1469A) ~~for shall be signed by~~  
303 any ~~m~~M~~e~~mber choosing to have his or her spouse as the  
304 paid ~~-~~caregiver, both before that service arrangement is  
305 initiated and annually to indicate the ~~m~~M~~e~~mber's continued  
306 choice for this option,

307 ~~10.k.~~ A copy of the Managed Risk Agreement (Form DDD-

1530A), ~~if~~when indicated for the ~~m~~Member, that identifies potential risks associated with service ~~and~~/or placement decisions the Responsible Person~~member~~ has made ~~and~~/or other risks identified whereby a ~~m~~Managed ~~r~~Risk ~~a~~Agreement was completed.

~~11.l.~~ Notices of Adverse Benefit Determination (NOA) along with any adjudication or decisions sent to the ~~member/r~~Responsible ~~p~~Person regarding denial or changes of services ~~(discontinuance, termination, reduction, or suspension),~~

m. Member-specific correspondence,

n. Evaluation and other records demonstrating eligibility and redeterminations of eligibility.

~~Case notes including documentation of the type of contact made with the Member, and~~

~~All other individuals who may be involved with the Member's care~~

~~Each entry made by the Support Coordinator shall be signed and dated~~

~~Case notes including documentation of the type of contact made with the~~

326 ~~Responsible Person~~member and/or all other persons who may be involved  
327 with the mMember's care. For example, provider-specific correspondence  
328 including joint service planning meetings (i.e. Child Family Team / Adult  
329 Recover Team meetings), as well as coordination activities pertaining to  
330 discharge planning,

331 ~~12.o.~~ 12.o. Physician's orders for medical services and equipment,

332 ~~13.p.~~ 13.p. Documentation that a Pre-Admission Screening and  
333 Resident Review (PASRR) Level I screening and PASRR  
334 Level II evaluation, if applicable, have been completed for  
335 mMembers in nursing facility placements. A copy of the  
336 PASRR Level II evaluation, if applicable, must also be  
337 retained in the Member's case file. For further details  
338 regarding PASRR, see Division Medical Policy 680-C.

339 ~~14.g.~~ 14.g. Documentation of recommended specialized services, as  
340 applicable, shall be coordinated and documented in the  
341 mMember case file to ensure the provision of specialized  
342 services to the mMember. For further details regarding  
343 this, see Division Medical Policy 680-C.

344 ~~15.r.~~ 15.r. Provider evaluations and/ assessments and/ or progress

345 reports (~~e.g., home health, therapy, behavioral health~~),

346 ~~16.s.~~ Notifications of services not provided as scheduled (~~e.g.,~~  
347 ~~member hospitalized, on vacation, or receiving respite~~  
348 ~~outside of the home~~) and documentation of any follow-up  
349 conducted to ensure that ~~m~~Member's needs are met,

350 ~~17.t.~~ ~~If applicable,~~ ~~d~~Documentation of the initial and quarterly  
351 discussion/~~collaboration~~ with a qualified behavioral health  
352 professional, when applicable,

353 ~~18.~~ ~~All other forms and~~ documentation as required by the  
354 Division to provide the Member with coordination of care  
355 unless otherwise restricted., and

356 The Division shall maintain Tthe mMember case file information shall be  
357 maintained to the extent, and in such detail, as specified in A.R.S. § 12-  
358 2297.

359 7.2. The Support Coordinator shall include in the initial on-site  
360 pPlanning mMeetingPeeting for Members receiving Home and  
361 Community Based Services (HCBS already in place at the time of  
362 ALTCS enrollment) shall include an assessment of the medical  
363 necessity and cost effectiveness of those services and a service

364 plan that indicates which Prior Period Coverage (PPC) services  
365 will be retroactively authorized by the Division. For further  
366 information, see Division Operation Policy 302.

367 **G-D. ENSURING MEMBER SPECIFIC PROGRESS NOTES**

- 368 1. Division staff shall not cut and paste, or otherwise copy, Member  
369 correspondence into the Member's file.
- 370 2. Division staff shall not use templates, or other standardized  
371 templates, that are not specific to the Member.
- 372 3. Division staff shall not rely on system generated progress notes  
373 as the primary source of information when documenting in the  
374 Focus progress notes.

375 Signature of Chief Medical Officer:—